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Sep 11, 2001

US-PAT-NO: 6289254

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6289254 B1

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TITLE: Parts selection apparatus and parts selection system with CAD function

DATE-ISSUED: September 11, 2001

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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Hayashi; Kimiyoshi	Soka			JP
Sawada; Hideki	Inagi			JP
Sato; Katsuya	Chigasaki			JP
Muramatsu; Yumi	Mishima			JP
Kochiya; Hiroshi	Yokohama			JP
Nakagawa; Takahiro	Yokohama			JP
Iyoda; Tadatsugu	Niiza			JP

ASSIGNEE-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY	TYPE CODE
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APPL-NO: 09/ 010308 [PALM]

DATE FILED: January 21, 1998

FOREIGN-APPL-PRIORITY-DATA:

COUNTRY	APPL-NO	APPL-DATE
JP	9-011550	January 24, 1997

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FIELD-OF-SEARCH: 700/96, 700/182, 700/97, 700/98, 700/99, 700/104, 700/106

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ART-UNIT: 211

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Gordon; Paul P.

ASSISTANT-EXAMINER: Cabrera; Zoila

ATTY-AGENT-FIRM: Morgan & Finnegan, LLP

ABSTRACT:

Since a plurality of electric CAD systems (CAD) 1 generate circuit diagram data with different data structures, input interface (IF) software (SOFT) implements processing for extracting predetermined item data used in parts selection SOFT from each CAD, and processing for adding data obtained by the parts selection SOFT to each CAD. The parts selection SOFT implements selection of parts, output of slips, and the like on the basis of the predetermined item data. Output IF-SOFT converts information associated with the selected parts output from the parts selection SOFT into a different data format used in the subsequent process, and outputs the converted information.

29 Claims, 40 Drawing figures

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File: USPT

Apr 30, 2002

US-PAT-NO: 6381032

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6381032 B1

TITLE: Postscript to PDF conversion of graphic image files

DATE-ISSUED: April 30, 2002

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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ASSIGNEE-INFORMATION:

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APPL-NO: 09/ 481010 [PALM]

DATE FILED: January 10, 2000

PARENT-CASE:

This application is related to U.S. patent applications Ser. Nos. (09/480,334, 09/480,821, 09/481,550, 09/480,332, 09/480,869, 09/480,881, 09/480,335, 09/480,645, 09/480,185, 09/480,987, 09/480,980, 09/481,007, 09/480,820, 09/481,372, 09/481,372, 09/480,866), filed on the same date herewith, which are hereby incorporated by reference. This application is also related to U.S. patent application Ser. No. 09/460,307 filed on Dec. 13, 1999, entitled "System and File Structure for Consistent Visual Medium Materials."

INT-CL: [07] G06 K 15/00

US-CL-ISSUED: 358/1.15; 358/1.13

US-CL-CURRENT: 358/1.15; 358/1.13

FIELD-OF-SEARCH: 358/1.1, 358/1.2, 358/1.5, 358/1.9, 358/1.13, 358/1.15, 358/400, 358/500, 382/169, 382/170, 382/260, 382/276, 382/277, 382/302, 709/200, 709/201, 709/203, 709/248, 707/100, 707/101, 707/500, 707/523

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ART-UNIT: 2624

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Garcia; Gabriel

ATTY-AGENT-FIRM: Beyer Weaver & Thomas, LLP

ABSTRACT:

An on-line automated printing system quickly produces consistent printed materials. The system includes front-end customer setup and product setup modules available on a web server. A Print Ready File is produced embodying the product to be printed. The Print Ready File is compiled and all operations on the file can be completed via reference to the information contained therein. A state flag is associated with each element of the file, the flag having states such as preview, print, both, or none. The file is stored on an asset management file server. The file (unchanged) may be previewed or printed using internal flags and logic built-in to the PostScript language. A batcher service batches print jobs. A plater service accepts the Print Ready Files and outputs a plate file to a print vendor's ordering system. Over the Internet the plate file is sent to a vendor computer. The plate file is sent to a raster image processor (RIP) which outputs a bitmap to be printed. Included within the system is a PostScript to PDF conversion subsystem. A client application requests conversion of a file to PDF and pulls conversion parameters from an image logic information database. The client sends the parameters along with input and output files to a master service. The master service selects a lower-level service for conversion. A PostScript to PDF conversion module (with hardcoded parameters) executes the software application Distiller to perform conversion of the file and outputs the result.

13 Claims, 20 Drawing figures

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File: USPT

Jan 8, 2002

US-PAT-NO: 6337745

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6337745 B1

TITLE: Routing print jobs

DATE-ISSUED: January 8, 2002

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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ASSIGNEE-INFORMATION:

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APPL-NO: 08/ 924269 [PALM]

DATE FILED: September 5, 1997

PARENT-CASE:

This is a divisional of copending application Ser. No. 08/609,776 filed Mar. 1, 1996.

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US-CL-ISSUED: 358/1.15; 358/1.1

US-CL-CURRENT: 358/1.15; 358/1.1

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ART-UNIT: 2624

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Garcia; Gabriel I.

ATTY-AGENT-FIRM: Fish & Richardson P.C.

ABSTRACT:

A method for open systems printing including routing print jobs automatically from different types of source computers to different types of printers without the source computers selecting printers for each print job. A method for open systems printing including routing print jobs automatically from an arbitrary number of source computers to an arbitrary number of printers without the source computers selecting printers for each print job. A method for printing including controlling the printing of print jobs on high-speed production printers through a graphical user interface. A print server for use with different types of source computers and different types of printers, the print server directs print jobs received from the source computers to the printers without the source computers selecting printers for each print job. A print server for use with an arbitrary number of similar types of source computers and an arbitrary number of similar types of printers, the print server directs print jobs received from the source computers to the printers without the source computers selecting printers for each print job.

19 Claims, 31 Drawing figures

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File: USPT

Nov 20, 2001

US-PAT-NO: 6321266

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6321266 B1

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TITLE: Input/output apparatus connected to a plurality of host computers via a network

DATE-ISSUED: November 20, 2001

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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Kobayashi; Shigetada	Tokyo			JP
Shishizuka; Junichi	Kawasaki			JP
Negishi; Tsutomu	Tokyo			JP
Yamada; Osamu	Yokohama			JP
Toda; Yukari	Yokohama			JP
Saito; Kazuhiro	Yokohama			JP
Toda; Masanari	Yokohama			JP
Hashimoto; Yasuhiko	Tokyo			JP
Fukuda; Yasuo	Yokohama			JP

ASSIGNEE-INFORMATION:

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APPL-NO: 08/ 657531 [PALM]

DATE FILED: June 4, 1996

PARENT-CASE:

This application is a continuation, of application Ser. No. 08/182,964 filed Jan. 18, 1994, now abandoned.

FOREIGN-APPL-PRIORITY-DATA:

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ART-UNIT: 214

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Coulter, Kenneth R.

ATTY-AGENT-FIRM: Fitzpatrick, Cella, Harper, & Scinto

ABSTRACT:

An input/output apparatus is connected to a plurality of host computers via a network and executes both a scanning function and a printing function. The apparatus includes a portion that generates image data from data input from a first one of the host computers and prints the generated image data by executing the printing function, and further includes an output device that scans image data by executing the scanning function and outputs the scanned image data to a second one of the host computers in response to a request command. As a result, the input/output apparatus may operate in coordination with a plurality of personal computers by using the network to transfer image data therebetween.

51 Claims, 103 Drawing figures

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File: USPT

May 22, 2001

US-PAT-NO: 6236463

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 6236463 B1

TITLE: Generating high speed variable information printed multiple page documents

DATE-ISSUED: May 22, 2001

INVENTOR-INFORMATION:

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Weller; Kim K.	Angola	NY		
Recchione; Robert J.	Niagara Falls	NY		
Mariani; Frank J.	Grand Island	NY		
Proefrock; Charles W.	North Tonawanda	NY		
Kolniak; Thomas P.	Grand Island	NY		

ASSIGNEE-INFORMATION:

NAME	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	COUNTRY	TYPE CODE
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APPL-NO: 09/ 006385 [PALM]

DATE FILED: January 13, 1998

PARENT-CASE:

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION This is based upon provisional application Ser. No. 60/035,700 filed Jan. 17, 1997.

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ART-UNIT: 261

PRIMARY-EXAMINER: Zimmerman; Mark

ASSISTANT-EXAMINER: Sealy; Lance W.

ATTY-AGENT-FIRM: Nixon & Vanderhye PC

ABSTRACT:

A system and method are provided which have the ability to print whole documents at a time, rather than page by page. The data for an entire multi-page document is fed directly to an output device, and then a print engine. The data stream includes a record layout including data field codes which tell the data system and/or raster image processor where to print strings of variable information in a document so that the strings only need be provided once even if printed in multiple places within the document. Data flows in the data stream to the print engine as the raster image processor functions in real time. The system has the capability to manipulate and transfer data at 10 Mbytes per second, which translate into a transfer rate of approximately 92,000 characters per second at up to 1,000 feet per minute print speeds, for up to six controllers. Either fixed or variable graphic elements may also be transferred in this same manner as the data and processed by the RIP in real time and printed at the same speed as the data.

19 Claims, 6 Drawing figures